

SWITZERLAND COUNTY, INDIANA

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Introduction

The first edition of the *County Highlights* was published in 1993. Lillian Miles, then Labor Market Analyst for the Gary Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area, originated the idea for this descriptive area publication.

Highlights are now a web publication and, as a result, the data can be updated throughout the year, not just on an annual basis. These *Highlights* are available in easy-to-use web format but are also printable and e-mailable and provide a snapshot of critical population and workforce statistics for each of Indiana’s 92 counties, 11 Economic Growth Regions, and the State of Indiana.

Each *Highlights* includes an overview of the demographics and workforce of an area, from its population to the size of its labor force and the industry mix of jobs and wages.

Don’t hesitate to contact your regional analyst if you need further information about your area.



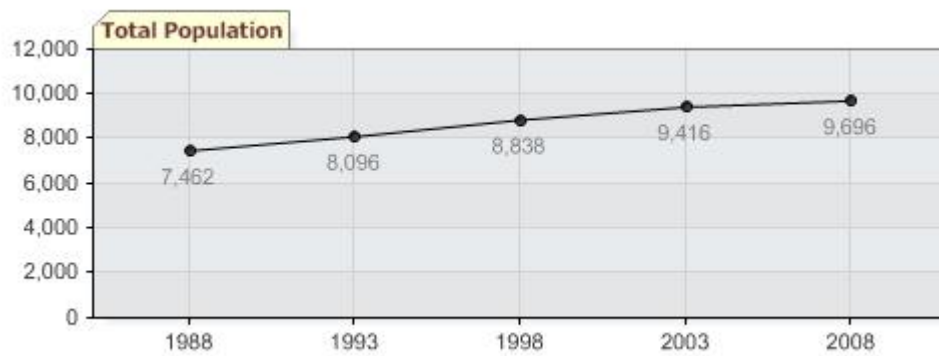
Location

Switzerland County is located in southeastern Indiana. The county is bordered on the south and east by the Ohio River. Ohio County is to the north and Jefferson County to the west. Switzerland County is one of the ten counties located in the area designated by the Indiana Department of Workforce Development as Indiana Economic Growth Region 9.

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

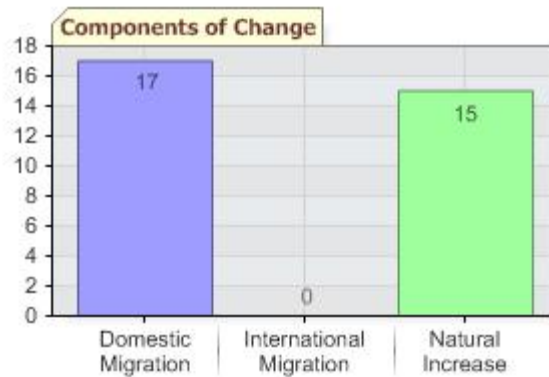
Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	7,462	8,096	8,838	9,416	9,696
Change Since 1988		634	1,376	1,954	2,234
Pct. Change Since 1988		8.5%	18.4%	26.2%	29.9%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	17
International Migration	0
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	15
Births	114
Deaths	99



Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007

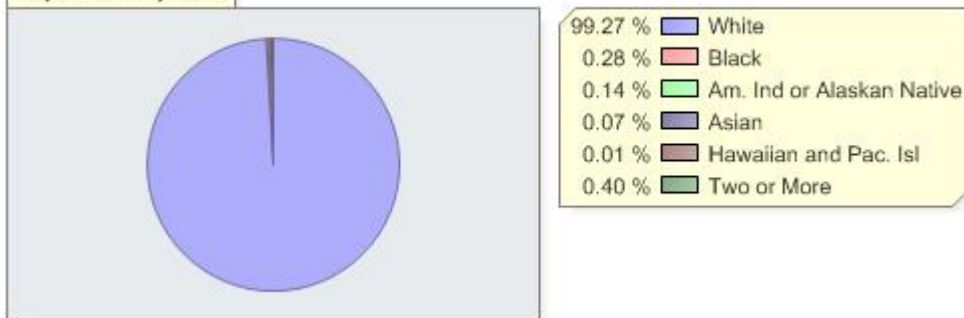
	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	550	5.7%
School Age	1,678	17.4%
College Age	710	7.3%
Young Adult	2,822	29.2%
Older Adult	2,580	26.7%
Older (65 plus)	1,344	13.9%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	14	0.1%
Asian Alone	7	0.1%
Black Alone	27	0.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	1	0.0%
White Alone	9,596	99.3%
Two or More Race Groups	39	0.4%

Population by Race



Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	9,577	99.1%
Hispanic or Latino	107	1.1%

Source: US Census Bureau

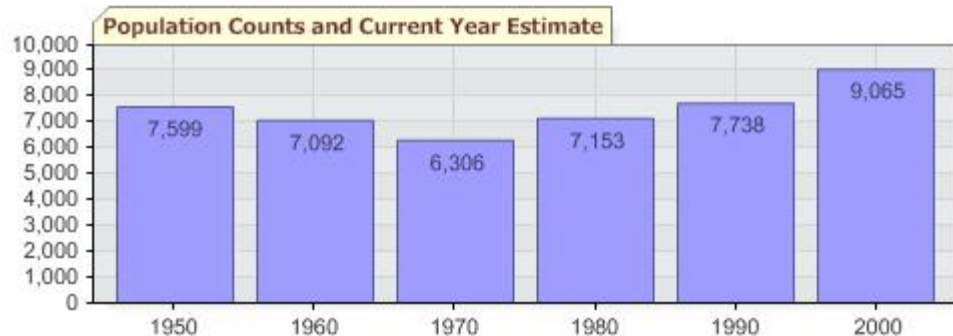
Households in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	3,435	100.0%
Family Households	2,540	73.9%
Married with Children	818	23.8%
Married without Children	1,200	34.9%
Single Parents	316	9.2%
Other	206	6.0%
Non-family Households	895	26.1%
Living Alone	746	21.7%
Average Household Size	2.65	
Average Family Household Size	3.58	

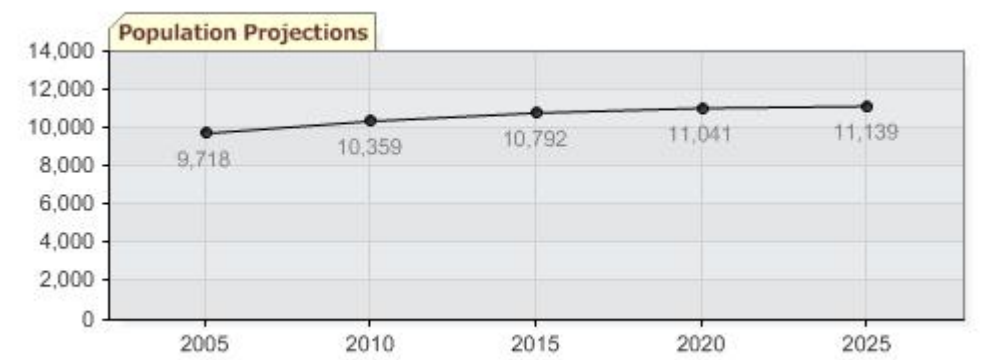
Source: US Census Bureau

Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.
1950	7,599	NA	NA
1960	7,092	-507	-6.7%
1970	6,306	-786	-11.1%
1980	7,153	847	13.4%
1990	7,738	585	8.2%
April 2000	9,065	1,327	17.1%
2007	N/A	N/A	N/A



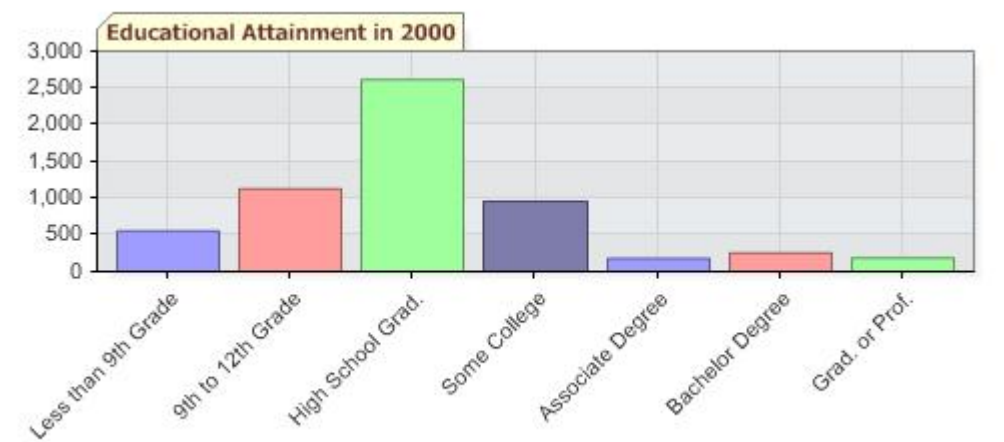
Population Projections					
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	9,718	10,359	10,792	11,041	11,139
Change Since 2005		641	1,074	1,323	1,421
Pct. Change Since 2005		6.6%	11.1%	13.6%	14.6%



Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

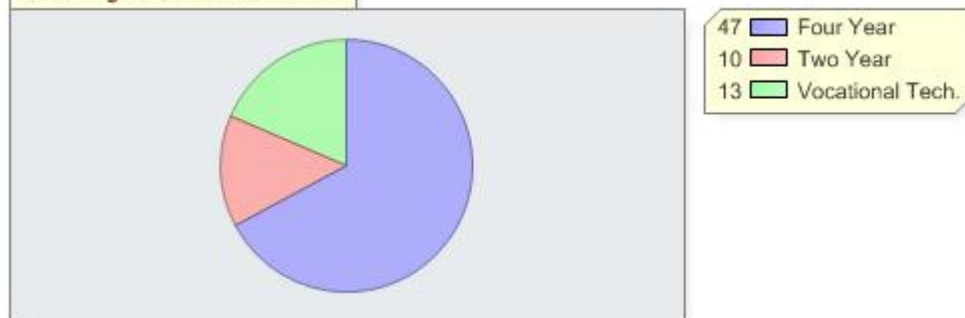
Educational Attainment				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	3,744	4,289	5,015	5,889
Less than 9th Grade	1,719	1,265	723	556
9th to 12th, No Diploma	734	836	992	1,129
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	1,007	1,667	2,264	2,617
Some College, No Degree			561	958
Associate Degree			192	180
Bachelors Degree			124	259
Graduate or Professional Degree			159	190



High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total Graduates	80	75	78	105
Total to Higher Education	63	57	51	70
Four-Year Institution	34	38	33	47
Two-Year Institution	23	16	17	10
Vocational/Tech.	6	3	1	13
Military	4	6	8	6

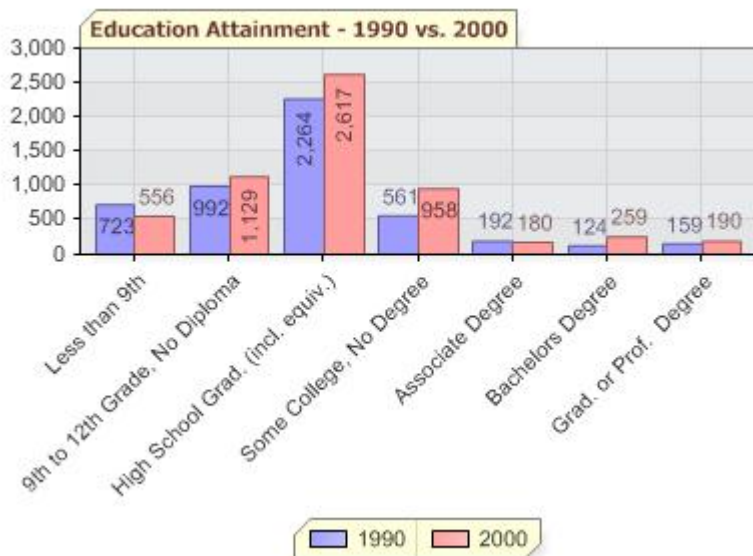
2007 Higher Education Intent



Source: Indiana Department of Education

Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000

	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+
Total Population 25+	5,015	100.0%	5,889	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	723	14.4%	556	9.4%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	992	19.8%	1,129	19.2%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	2,264	45.1%	2,617	44.4%
Some College, No Degree	561	11.2%	958	16.3%
Associate Degree	192	3.8%	180	3.1%
Bachelors Degree	124	2.5%	259	4.4%
Graduate or Professional Degree	159	3.2%	190	3.2%

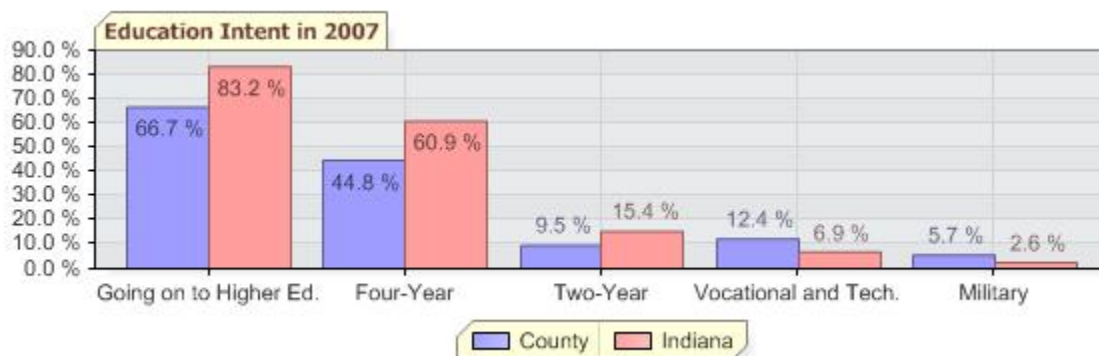


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.

Graduates	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	66.7%	83.2%
Four-Year Institution	44.8%	60.9%
Two-Year Institution	9.5%	15.4%
Vocational and Tech.	12.4%	6.9%
Military	5.7%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education

Commuting

In Indiana, most workers commute to a job, either within their home county or beyond. Patterns of commuting are significant in showing the labor supply. The county *labor force* represents workers who reside in the county no matter where they work. Two types of commuting patterns are provided here - the Census 2000 *benchmark* and the annual data tabulated from state income tax returns that can help provide a more current view.

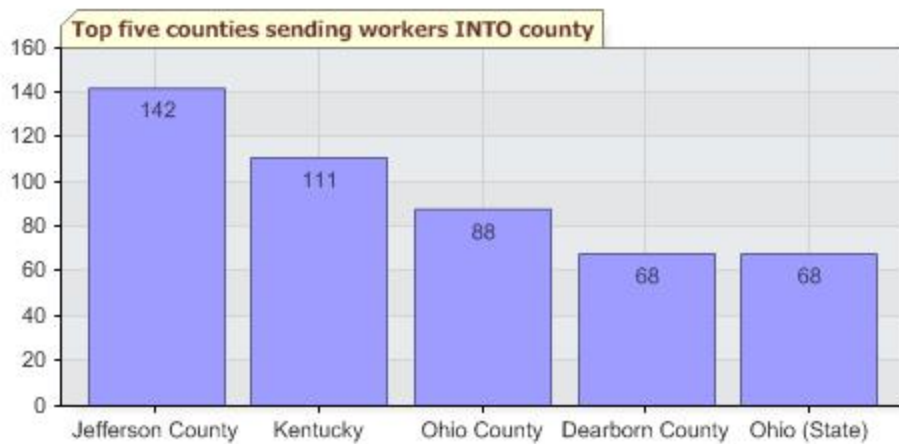
Commuting Data, 2007

	Number
Number of tax filers who live in county and work	6,102
Number of tax filers who work in the county	4,177
Number of tax filers who live in county and work in county	3,574
Number of tax filers who live out of the county and work in county	603

Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

Commuting Patterns: Top five counties sending workers INTO county, 2007

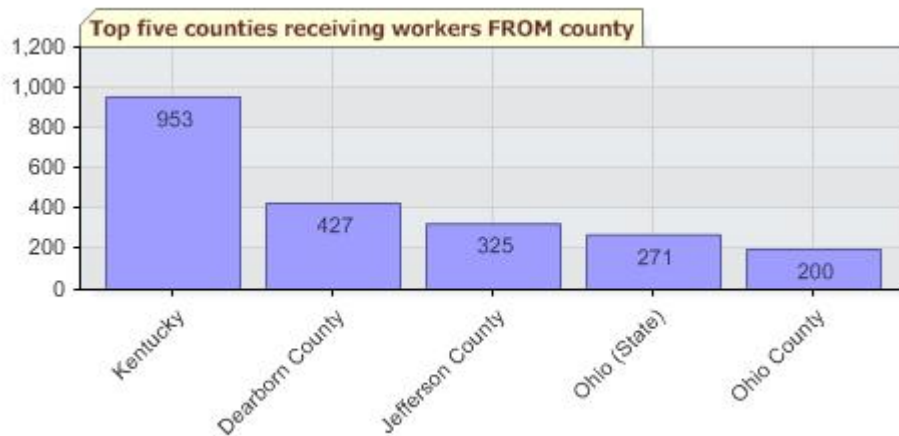
County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Jefferson County	142	29.9%
Kentucky	111	23.4%
Ohio County	88	18.5%
Dearborn County	68	14.3%
Ohio (State)	68	11.2%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

Commuting Patterns: Top five counties receiving workers FROM county, 2007

County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Kentucky	953	43.8%
Dearborn County	427	19.6%
Jefferson County	325	14.9%
Ohio (State)	271	12.5%
Ohio County	200	9.2%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

Travel To Work in 2000

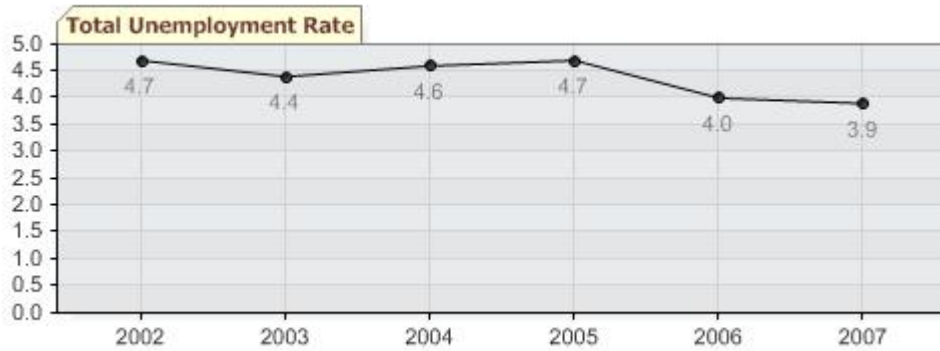
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Workers Age 16 and Over	4,066	100.0%
Travel To Work	3,882	95.5%
Car, Truck, or Van	3,726	91.6%
Traveled Alone	3,191	78.5%
Carpooled	535	13.2%
Used Public Transportation	2	0.0%
Motorcycle, Bicycle, Walked, Other	154	3.8%
Worked At Home	184	4.5%
Average Travel Time (Minutes)	33.6	
Average Travel Time using Public Transportation (Minutes)	25.0	

Labor Force

An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2007

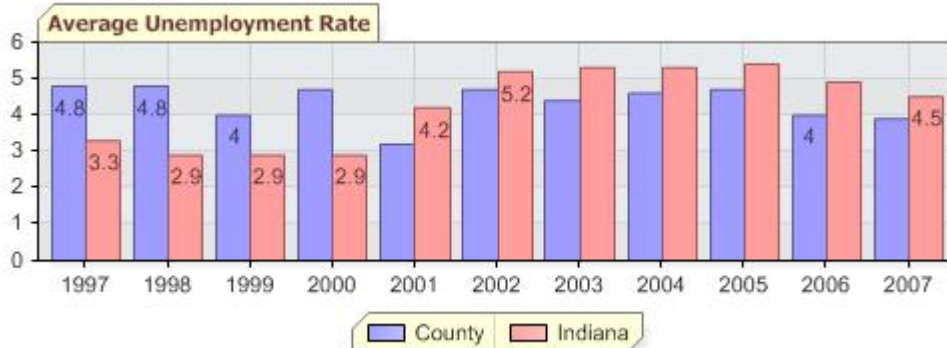
	Number	Pct. Chg. from 2000
Labor Force	5,711	13.5%
Employed	5,490	14.5%
Unemployed	221	-6.0%
Rate	3.9	-17.0%



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Labor Force Estimates

	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Cnty. Rate	State Rate
1997	3,809	3,628	181	4.8	3.3
1998	3,712	3,535	177	4.8	2.9
1999	3,743	3,594	149	4.0	2.9
2000	5,030	4,795	235	4.7	2.9
2001	5,996	5,803	193	3.2	4.2
2002	5,732	5,461	271	4.7	5.2
2003	5,717	5,463	254	4.4	5.3
2004	5,705	5,444	261	4.6	5.3
2005	5,759	5,491	268	4.7	5.4
2006	5,680	5,451	229	4.0	4.9
2007	5,711	5,490	221	3.9	4.5



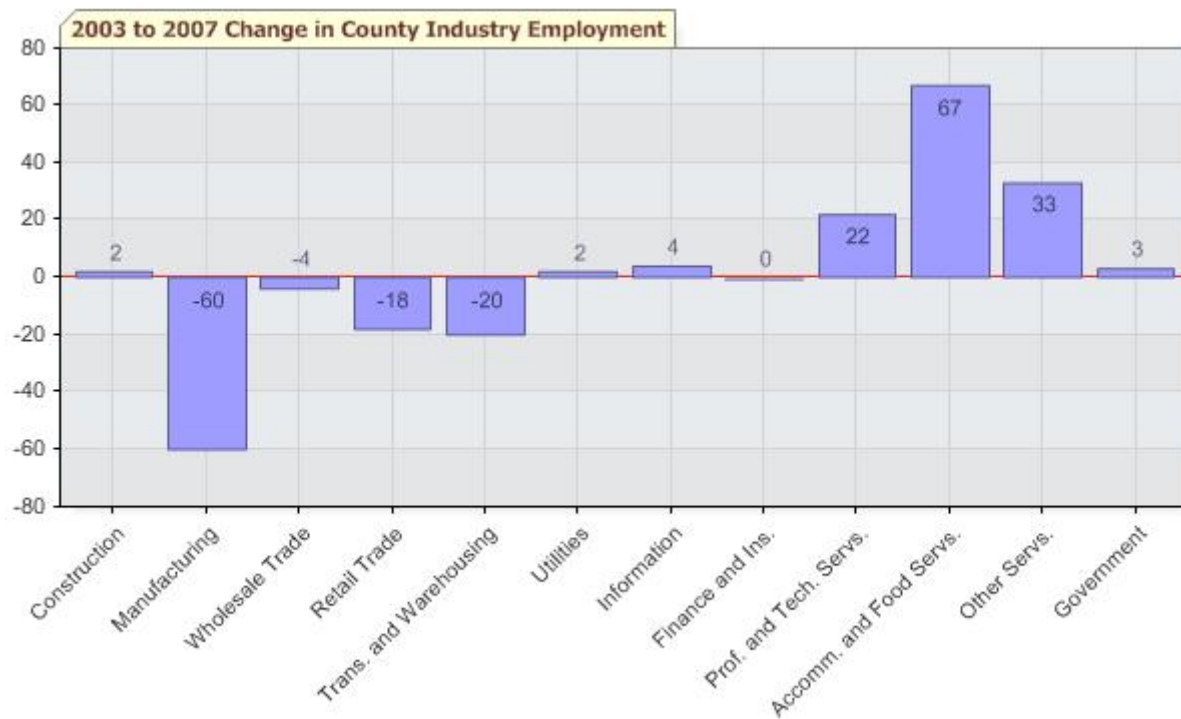
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Employment

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry.

Average Employment by Sector

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Change 2003-2007	% Change 2003-2007
Total Employment	2,387	2,358	2,345	2,317	2,367	-20	-0.84%
Total Private Employment	1,951	1,927	1,891	1,876	1,928	-23	-1.18%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	8	12	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Mining	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Construction	46	49	49	48	48	2	4.35%
Manufacturing	136	114	99	87	76	-60	-44.12%
Wholesale Trade	15	11	12	13	11	-4	-26.67%
Retail Trade	115	115	102	94	97	-18	-15.65%
Transport. and Warehousing	25	26	26	10	5	-20	-80.00%
Utilities	8	9	8	9	10	2	25.00%
Information	14	13	14	19	18	4	28.57%
Finance and Insurance	46	46	42	43	46	0	0.00%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	8	8	D	D	0	N/A	N/A
Professional and Tech. Servs.	8	8	7	22	30	22	275.00%
Mgmt. of Companies	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	54	49	42	33	D	N/A	N/A
Educational Services	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Health Care and Social Assistance	140	142	121	117	124	N/A	N/A
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Accommodation and Food Service	109	137	149	153	176	67	61.47%
Other Services	22	32	44	50	55	33	150.00%
Federal, State, & Local Govt.	436	431	454	441	439	3	0.69%

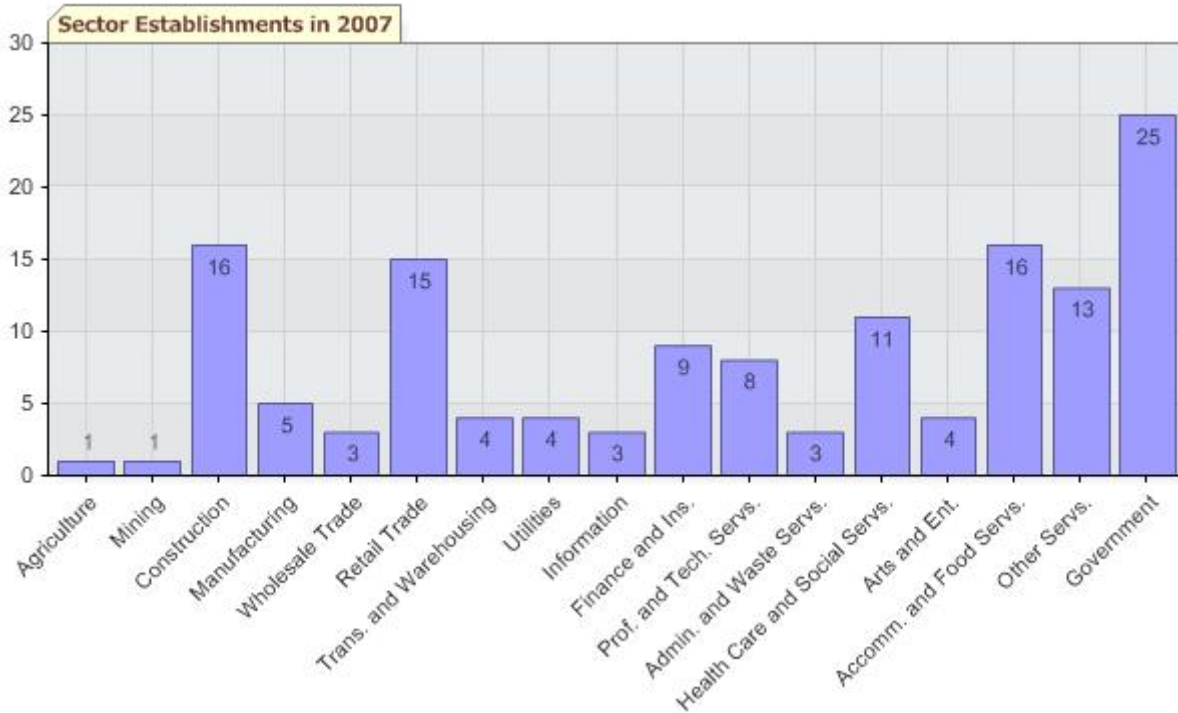


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Establishments by Sector

Change % Change

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007
Total Establishments	143	151	147	141	143	0	0.00%
Total Private Establishments	119	126	122	116	118	-1	-0.84%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	4	4	D	D	D	-3	-75.00%
Mining	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Construction	16	19	19	16	16	0	0.00%
Manufacturing	6	6	5	5	5	-1	-16.67%
Wholesale Trade	5	5	4	3	3	-2	-40.00%
Retail Trade	18	19	18	17	15	-3	-16.67%
Transport. and Warehousing	5	6	5	4	4	-1	-20.00%
Utilities	4	4	4	4	4	0	0.00%
Information	5	3	3	3	3	-2	-40.00%
Finance and Insurance	8	9	9	10	9	1	12.50%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	4	3	D	D	0	N/A	N/A
Professional and Tech. Servs.	6	6	6	7	8	2	33.33%
Mgmt. of Companies	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	3	4	3	4	D	0	0.00%
Educational Services	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Health Care and Social Assistance	10	10	10	10	11	1	10.00%
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Accommodation and Food Service	13	14	14	14	16	3	23.08%
Other Services	7	8	11	11	13	6	85.71%
Federal, State, & Local Govt.	24	25	25	25	25	1	4.17%



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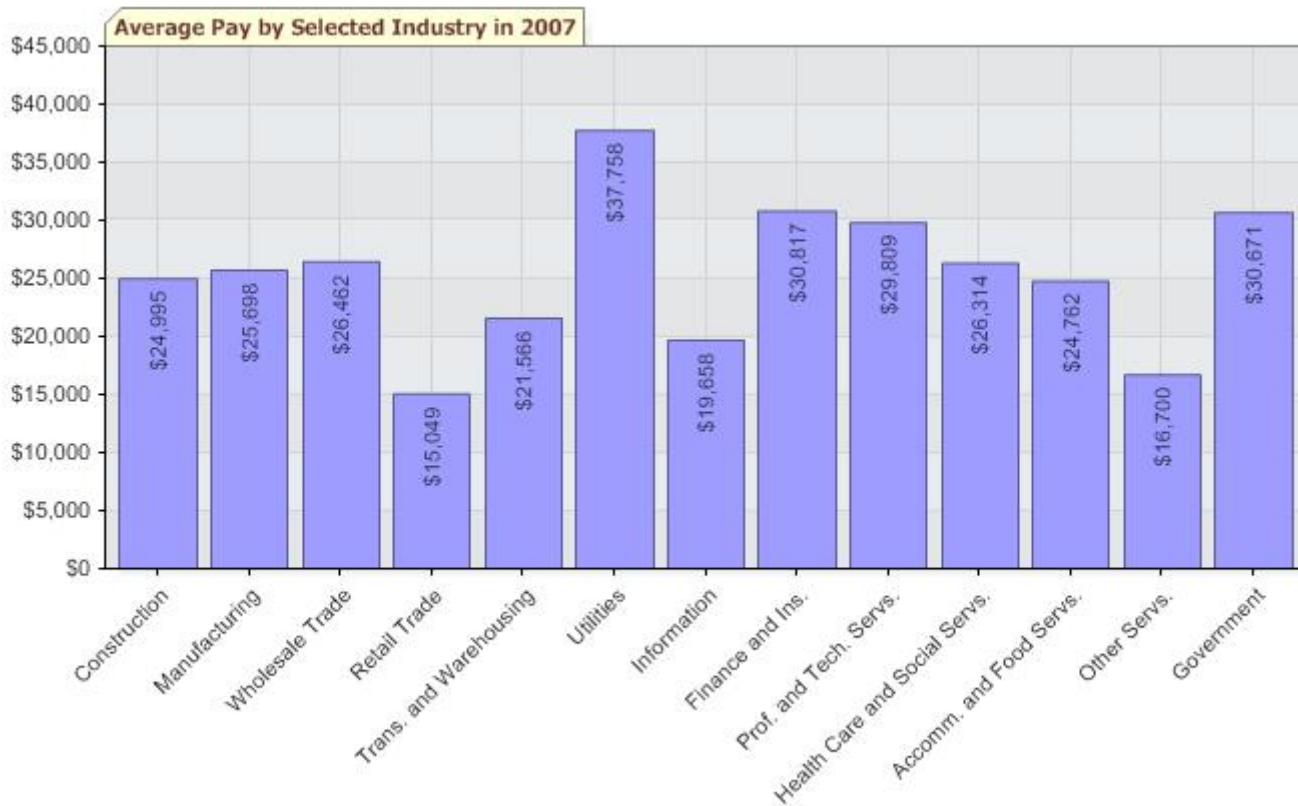
Earnings and Income

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry. Note: The income figures and changes are not adjusted for inflation.

Average Annual Earnings by Industry

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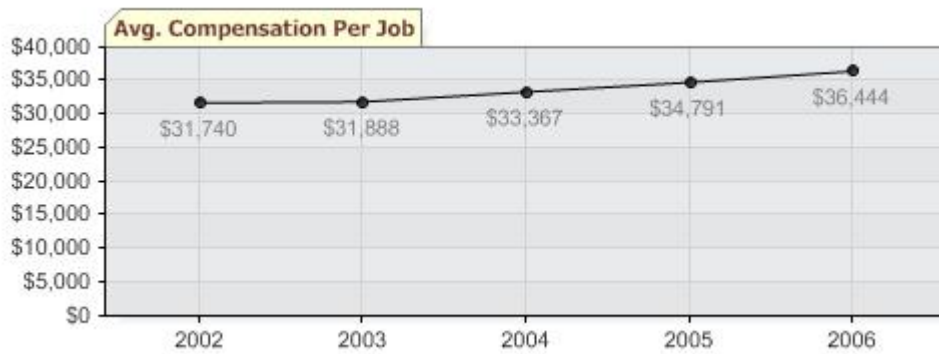
	2003	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007	2007	State
All Industries	\$24,788	\$28,960	\$4,172	16.8%	\$37,530	77.2%
Ag., For., Fishing, & Hunt.	\$11,226	D	N/A	N/A	\$28,008	N/A
Mining	D	D	N/A	N/A	\$57,315	N/A
Construction	\$25,491	\$24,995	-\$496	-1.9%	\$44,754	55.8%
Manufacturing	\$22,815	\$25,698	\$2,883	12.6%	\$51,148	50.2%
Wholesale Trade	\$27,495	\$26,462	-\$1,033	-3.8%	\$51,432	51.5%
Retail Trade	\$13,974	\$15,049	\$1,075	7.7%	\$22,581	66.6%
Trans. & Warehousing	\$17,498	\$21,566	\$4,068	23.3%	\$38,012	56.7%
Utilities	\$37,449	\$37,758	\$309	0.8%	\$68,267	55.3%
Information	\$26,633	\$19,658	-\$6,975	-26.2%	\$46,311	42.4%
Finance & Insurance	\$27,424	\$30,817	\$3,393	12.4%	\$52,649	58.5%
Real Est., Rent., Leasing	\$20,027	0	N/A	N/A	\$32,614	N/A
Prof. & Tech. Svcs.	\$19,334	\$29,809	\$10,475	54.2%	\$51,451	57.9%
Mgt.of Companies	0	0	N/A	N/A	\$72,682	N/A
Admin. & Waste Svcs.	\$18,407	D	N/A	N/A	\$24,934	N/A
Education Svcs.	0	0	N/A	N/A	\$31,029	N/A
Health Care & Social Assist.	\$20,766	\$26,314	\$5,548	26.7%	\$37,706	69.8%
Arts, Ent. & Rec.	D	D	N/A	N/A	\$29,251	N/A
Accom. & Food Svcs.	\$10,421	\$24,762	\$14,340	137.6%	\$12,442	199.0%
Other Svcs.	\$18,241	\$16,700	-\$1,541	-8.4%	\$24,862	67.2%
Fed.I, State & Local Govt.	\$26,754	\$30,671	\$3,917	14.6%	\$37,054	82.8%



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Average Compensation Per Job Over Time

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Avg. Compensation per Job	\$31,740	\$31,888	\$33,367	\$34,791	\$36,444
Change Since 2002		\$148	\$1,627	\$3,051	\$4,704
Pct. Change Since 2002		0.5%	5.1%	9.6%	14.8%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Per Capita Income Over Time

	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006
Total Per Capita Income	\$9,227	\$12,615	\$17,240	\$21,005	\$25,011
Change Since 1986		\$3,388	\$8,013	\$11,778	\$15,784
Pct. Change Since 1986		36.7%	86.8%	127.6%	171.1%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Income & Wage

	Number
Median family income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Median household income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Average Wage Per Job in 2007 (BLS)	\$28,947
Wage Growth since 1997 (BLS)	50.4%

Source: US Census Bureau & Bureau of Labor Statistics

Firms and Employment by Size

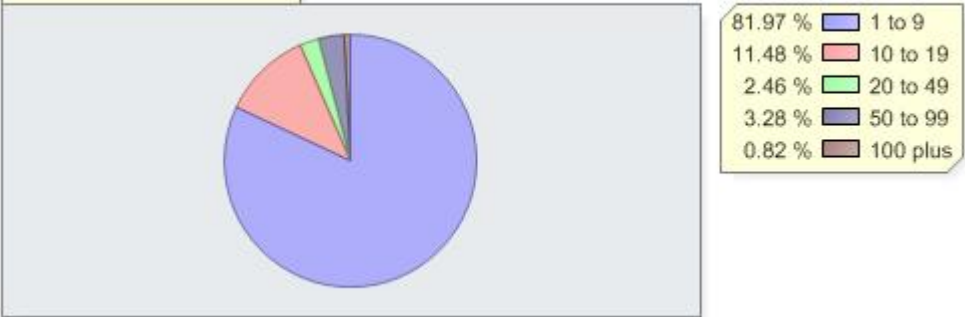
Firm data are available for most counties by the size of the firms and average employment by business unit size.

County Business Patterns, 2006

	Establishments	Number Chg. 01 to 06	Pct.Chg. 01 to 06	Pct. of Total
1-9 employees	100	-2	-2.0%	82.0%
10-19 employees	14	8	133.3%	11.5%
20-49 employees	3	-3	-50.0%	2.5%

50-99 employees	4	0	0.0%	3.3%
100 plus employees	1	0	0.0%	0.8%
TOTAL	122	3	2.5%	100.0%

County Business Patterns



Source: U.S. Census Bureau